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PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
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TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2176**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ruth E. ROSENHOLTZ et al.

Group Art Unit: 2176

Application No.: 09/682,231

Examiner: Q. TRAN

Filed: August 8, 2001

Docket No.: 110268

For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR TRANSITIONING BETWEEN THUMBNAILS
AND DOCUMENTS BASED UPON THUMBNAIL APPEARANCE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the November 29, 2005 Office Action, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-8 are pending.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representatives by Examiner Tran in the February 2, 2006 personal interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-8 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 5,960,448 to Reichet et al. (Reichet), in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0116420 A1 to Allam et al. (Allam). This rejection is respectfully traversed.